

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 and 2 and add new claims 9 and 10. The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

3. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~2~~10 wherein said user sends said unlocking request to said manufacturer via said operator in a manner that is transparent to said operator.

4. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~2~~10 wherein said manufacturer sends said unlocking information to said telephone via said operator in a manner that is transparent to said operator.

5. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~4~~9 wherein said manufacturer sends said telephone a confirmation message containing indications of the operations effected.

6. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~4~~9 wherein said manufacturer sends said operator a confirmation message containing indications of the operations effected.

7. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~4~~9 wherein said manufacturer sends said telephone and said operator respective confirmation messages containing indications of the operations effected and said message sent to said telephone and said message sent to said operator contain at least some different indications.

8. (Original) The method claimed in claim ~~4~~9 wherein information is exchanged between said terminal and said manufacturer via modulation means for transmitting data on the speech channel.

9. (New) A method of unlocking a mobile telephone in which unlocking information is sent to said mobile telephone, said mobile telephone having been first locked by introduction of a locking key in said mobile telephone, for locking said mobile telephone to services of an operator, said method comprising the steps of:

the user, through said mobile telephone, establishing a communication by using a calling number relating to the manufacturer and first delivered to said user;

during this communication, the mobile telephone transmitting to said calling number, an unlocking request using digital data comprising an identification number of the mobile telephone;

transmitting said unlocking information using digital data to said mobile telephone;

said mobile telephone proceeding itself to unlocking using the received unlocking information.

10. (New) The method claimed in claim 9 further comprising a step, prior to the transmission of said unlocking information, in which said manufacturer contacts the user's operator to verify that said user is entitled to unlocking.

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11. (New) The method claimed in claim 9 wherein said communication is established via said operator.